

REMARKS

Applicant has reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on October 11, 2005, and the references cited therewith.

Claims 17, 19-21, 23, and 24 are amended, claim 18 is canceled, and no claims are added; as a result, claims 17 and 19-36 are now pending in this application.

§102 Rejection of the Claims

Claim 17 was rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by Beahm et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,920,486). Claim 17 was also rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by deDood (U.S. Patent No. 5,764,533). Claim 17 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 18 which was found to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, applicant believes claim 17 is in condition for allowance.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 18-24 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 17 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 18, and claim 18 has been canceled. Claims 19 and 20 have been amended to be dependent on claim 17. Claims 21, 23, and 24 have been amended to be in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that claims 19-24 are in condition for allowance.

Claims 25-36 are allowed.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (952-473-8800) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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